

Twentieth Century Cultural Heritage of Wars in the Upper Adriatic Borderland: Memories, Material Legacies, and Social Valorisation

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9.30, institutional greetings

9.45-12.00, panel 1: **Memories and Monumentalisation of the Past**

Discussant: Tommaso Piffer (University of Udine)

Gabriele Mastrolillo (University of Trieste), *The cultural heritage of the First World War in the Julian March: from sites of secular pilgrimage to destinations of cultural tourism*

Giulia Caccamo (University of Trieste), *Austria's neutral memory? World War II monuments and national identity*

Patrick Karlsen (University of Trieste), *The PCI and the memory of the Eastern Border in the twilight of the Cold War*

Arrigo Bonifacio (University of Udine), *Exploring the cultural heritage of an international confrontation. Cold War tourism in Europe and the case of Friuli*

14.00-16.30, panel 2: **Social Valorisation of the Material Legacies**

Discussant: Daša Ličen (ZRC SAZU, Ljubljana)

Moreno Zago (University of Trieste), *Borderless memories, shared destinations: European cross-border heritage projects and the code of ethics for memory tourism*

Senija Causević (Rabat Business School – SOAS University of London), *Touring the haunted pasts: traces of war, memory, and nostalgia in the Upper-Adriatic Borderlands*

Monica Pascoli (University of Udine), *Cold War memories and the potential for tourism development*

Nicola Revelant (PromoTurismoFVG, Trieste), *Historical tourism of the Twentieth Century in Friuli Venezia Giulia. Perspectives for a new product*

16.00, closing remarks: Borut Klabjan (ZRS Koper).

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